

BRINDELL'S CHIEF AID FACES TRIAL TO-DAY

Stadt Muller. Bailed for \$100,000, Then Surrendered, to Make Disclosures.

KNOWS CZAR'S SECRETS

Bad Pineapple Given Wife of Leader Cost a \$2,000 Building Strike.

UNION MONEY VANISHES

Lockwood Committee Members Again Urge Prison Terms for Trade Offenders.

The trial of Peter Stadt Muller, known as "chief of staff" for Robert P. Brindell, the convicted building trades "czar," begins to-day before Justice John V. McAvoy in the Supreme Court. Stadt Muller was jointly indicted with Brindell on charges of extortion, and is alleged to have been Brindell's collector and right hand man in the leader's relations with building contractors.

For the last two or three days there have been stories current in labor circles to the effect that Stadt Muller's appearance in court might be the signal for still further sensational revelations in the building situation. They emanated from sources said to be friendly to Stadt Muller and were that he had about decided, since Brindell's sentencing to at least five years in Sing Sing, that he would have most to gain by making a clean breast of his own connections with the Building Trades Council and its workings.

In this connection it is recalled that Stadt Muller was first held in \$100,000 bail, which Brindell provided. Stadt Muller was authority for the story that this amount was supplied by Brindell on the understanding that Stadt Muller would plead guilty. When he refused to do this Brindell cancelled the bail bond and Stadt Muller gave himself up. Subsequently his bail was reduced to \$25,000. Assistant District Attorneys Stanley Richter and Ferdinand Pecora are proceeding on the assumption that Stadt Muller intends to adhere to his announced intention of going to trial.

Disatisfied With Trials.

Stadt Muller's trial on an indictment growing out of Samuel Untermyer's disclosures before the Lockwood Legislative Committee is set for at a time when members of the committee are openly venting their dissatisfaction regarding the course of the proceedings have been taken. The committee two weeks ago went on record as favoring jail sentences in all cases of individuals pleading guilty or being convicted of charges developing from the committee's work. Since then numerous individuals pleading guilty to violations of the State anti-trust law have been let off with fines.

Mr. Untermyer as chief counsel has urged legislation that would make prison sentences mandatory and has expressed the opinion that unless this is done much of the effort of the committee and the prosecuting authorities is being wasted. He is known to have taken the matter up at length with Attorney General Charles D. Newton.

The trial of Stadt Muller, it is expected, will attract interest in labor circles second only to that of Brindell, owing to the extremely confidential relationship that existed between the men. One story is that Stadt Muller has been influenced by the alleged defection of several thousand of Brindell's former followers in his personally organized dockbuilders and housewreckers' union. This is the organization that paid Brindell an income at the rate of about \$35,000 a year from monthly assessments against the members, but since the labor czar's conviction the spirit of revolt is said to have grown in direct ratio to a decline in membership. The disgruntled ones are curious to know whether Brindell is still enjoying this revenue, and if he is, by what right.

A hitherto unpublished insight on Brindell's methods was being circulated last night by friends of Stadt Muller. It was that last summer just before the opening of the Lockwood committee's activities Brindell's wife purchased a quantity of pineapples from a well known Fifth avenue fruiterer.

Bad Pineapple Causes Strike.

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BALY'S CURVE 'PLASTERED' BY CHEMICAL LEAGUE STAR

Prof. H. N. Davis Knocks Scientific "Homerun" by Proving That Theory Affecting Oxygen Mixtures Is Inaccurate; To Bring Vital Change in Industry.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., May 22.—Baly's curve is inaccurate. To the layman this may suggest baseball, but to chemists, physicists and oxygen manufacturers the news is likely to prove somewhat startling. It is vouched for by the Harvard Engineering School.

Baly, not a pitcher, but an English physicist, twenty years ago measured the temperatures at which various mixtures of oxygen and nitrogen begin to liquefy and the extent to which the liquid formed is richer in oxygen than the original gaseous mixture. This measurement, known as Baly's curve, has been accepted as a statement of fundamental law.

Prof. Harvey N. Davis of the engineering school announced to-day that recent experiments had resulted in the discovery that the curve is wrong.

A. K. Dunbar, a member of the re-

search group in cryogenic engineering at the school, made the discovery while doing some work on helium in behalf of the Government. In the course of his experiments Dunbar set out to repeat for another pair of gases the work done by Baly. Having designed a new type of apparatus for the purpose, he tested it with liquid air. To his surprise he found that Baly's curve was inaccurate.

The research necessary to extend Dunbar's work and plot the curve correctly has not yet been undertaken. Expressing the hope that before long his experiments can be carried to their logical conclusion, Prof. Davis said:

"A discovery like that of the inaccuracy of Baly's curve will shift the basis on which the performance of all oxygen apparatus will be analyzed and judged and thus affect the entire future of the industry."

HARDING COME FOR ROUND OF FUNCTIONS

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P. M. a boys' brass band will serenade the President and Mrs. Harding and will be received by the President immediately afterward.

1,500 to Partake of Dinner.

From 7 P. M. to 8 P. M. the President and Vice-President will hold a reception for the guests of the New York Commercial, of whom more than 1,500 are expected to sit down at dinner. In addition to these other tickets of invitation for the addresses have been issued, and doubtless more than 2,000 persons will face the President later in the evening. Commodore Smith said last night that the dinner will assemble the most notable gathering of business men that the city has seen for many years.

The President's topic for his address will be "Justice in Commerce and Industry." It is anticipated that he will deal with the extent to which the Government should attempt to regulate business. It will be the first gathering of business men to be addressed by him since his inauguration.

Inasmuch as several bills pending in Congress, including the grain futures bill, which already has been passed by the House, the meat packers' control bill, which will come up for action soon, and coal regulatory bills, are being opposed on the ground that they violate the President's own dictum of "less Government in business and more business in Government," the President's remarks are awaited by the business world with more than ordinary interest.

The address to be made by Secretary Hoover on "Government and Business" is expected to supplement the President's views.

"While the appearance of President Harding is a tribute to America's oldest commercial newspaper," Commodore Smith said last night, "he is at the same time paying honor to the newspapers of America, and to constructive journalism. This is the spirit of the occasion."

HONORARY PRESIDENCY ACCEPTED BY HARDING

National American Council to Have His Support.

President Harding has written to Dr. David Jayne Hill, president of the National American Council, accepting the honorary presidency of that organization, which coordinates patriotic and civic societies of the United States. In his letter to Dr. Hill the President calls attention to lack of coordination in the past. He wrote:

"I have been gratified to receive your telegram of May 18 telling me of the perfected organization of the National American Council, composed of a large number of patriotic societies. You tell me that the purpose of the National American Council is to coordinate the activities of all these agencies for the support of the Constitution and the promotion of patriotism and good citizenship, with particular reference to the work of Americanization."

"I am very sure that under the auspices of the able, understanding men who are leading this movement much practical good may be accomplished along the lines of your endeavor through such a coordinated body. There is no doubt that much efficiency has been lost and much of unwarranted expense has been indulged through the failure to unify such efforts, and you may be sure of my greatest sympathy and wish to cooperate in once increasing accomplishments and to reduce the burden of expense it will involve."

IRISH SCENT PLOT IN PEACE REPORT

Dail Eireann Denies That De Valera and Lloyd George Are Negotiating.

CALLED ELECTION TRICK

Pope's Letter to Cardinal Logue Read in All Catholic Churches in Ireland.

BELFAST, May 22.—The Dail Eireann's publicity department has issued a statement denouncing unfounded reports originating in Belfast that Eamonn de Valera and Premier Lloyd George are in direct negotiations for a settlement of the Irish situation.

"We long have known of the intention to mislead the electors on polling day by spreading such reports when it is too late for their contradiction," says the statement. "We trust the electors of the six counties will prove far too keen and wide awake to be imposed upon by a ruse of this kind."

The election campaign for the Ulster Parliament is proving the freest from factional fights of any election in recent years, and the fact that Saturday night and Sunday passed without serious disturbances leads even those who expected trouble to the belief that the danger is past. Feeling runs high, however, and passions are heated, but the careful police and military precautions up to the present have kept the factions apart.

The Unionists, whose district is decorated with Union Jacks as never before, with pictures of Sir Edward Carson and Sir James Craig displayed everywhere, to-day attended "Empire Day service" in their churches and chapels, while the Sinn Feilers, whose colors also had been freely hoisted, held a meeting in Smithfield Square on the doorsteps of the police barracks, into which some of their members recently fired shots. The Nationalists held a big demonstration in Celtic Park.

DUBLIN, May 22.—The letter of Pope Benedict to Cardinal Logue, Primate of Ireland, appealing to both the Irish and English to abandon violence and proposing that the Irish question be settled by a body selected by the whole Irish nation was read at mass in all the Catholic churches throughout Ireland this morning.

THREE MORE SLAIN IN IRISH CLASHES

Party of Constables Waylaid on Lonely Road.

DUBLIN, May 22.—Crown forces from Longford were ambushed to-day in the wild district near Ballymahon. There was a prolonged fight in which Constable Kenyon was shot and killed and three other constables were wounded.

Sergeant McDonagh of the Mountfield Barracks was shot dead near Omagh, Tyrone, last night. Sergeant Anderson, a veteran police bandmaster of Gormanstown, Dublin, was shot and killed last night by four unknown persons near Ballybrigan.

BELGIAN CREW IS FIRED ON FROM CORK BRIDGE

Man Shot to Death in Ballyhooley.

CORK, May 22.—Members of the crew of the Belgian collier *Huogvilet*, while resting on the quayside to-day, were fired on from the direction of Parnell Bridge. The fireman of the vessel had his right leg shattered, which was amputated later in the military hospital. The other members of the crew were not injured. The *Huogvilet* arrived here Saturday with coal for this city.

William Bourke, who was in failing health, was shot dead to-day outside his father's house in Ballyhooley, County Cork, after being challenged by unknown persons.

NEW ARSON CAMPAIGN LAUNCHED IN ENGLAND

Sinn Fein Is Blamed for Starting Thirty Fires.

LONDON, May 22.—Another arson campaign in the suburbs of London and elsewhere, supposedly of Sinn Fein origin, occurred Saturday night between 10:00 o'clock and midnight, when about thirty fires were started, mostly in farm buildings and haystacks, but in some cases motor garages and timber yards.

In the neighborhood of Jarrow, Wallsend, Stockton and Middlesbrough. Gas mains over the bridge between Jarrow and South Shields exploded, temporarily depriving the towns of light.

Some of the suspected incendiaries were fired at by farmers and three arrests were made.

The Valley Water Board's main outside of Stockton was blown up, causing serious floods. In most cases the fire damage was comparatively small, but an engineering plant and saw-mill at Stockton were destroyed.

'IRISH ENVOY' HERE PRAISES POPE'S STAND

'Points Way to the World,' Says Boland.

WASHINGTON, May 22.—Commenting upon the communication of Pope Benedict to Cardinal Logue, Primate of Ireland, proposing that the Irish question be settled by a body selected by the whole Irish nation, Harry Boland, who is "envoy of the Republic of Ireland" here, to-night said the suggestions "offered in the letter he felt sure would be well received by the people of Ireland."

"It will be a great uplift to the people of Ireland," he said, "in their struggle for liberty to know that the head of Christendom sympathizes with their aspirations and has given earnest of that sympathy by his words and by the gift of 2,000,000 lire to relieve the suffering brought about in Ireland by the savagery of the British military forces."

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